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FARM
Storybook



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How to use this book...

Children love drawing and it is an important and creative skill. *Draw Your Own Storybooks* have been created to help by giving them an exciting adventure story with simple backgrounds to elaborate on and personalize with their own illustrations.

To get them started, read the story aloud and then talk around the text. For example, what does Farmer Flint look like? What might he eat for his breakfast? Are there any other animals you'd like to draw in the pictures? The child may then want to draw part of the scene or the whole scene, or just colour in the pictures that are already there. At the bottom of each page are useful ideas of things to draw.

Children will enjoy exploring their creativity within this 'real' book setting. Remember, there's no right way of doing things – art begins with whatever is in the mind's eye!

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Dear Artist

Welcome to your very own storybook about Farmer Flint who is in for a surprise!

First, ask someone to read the story with you. Then use the lovely empty spaces on every page to draw your very own illustrations for it! If you get stuck, you'll find ideas for things to draw at the bottom of every page. You could even sketch pictures of your friends and family as the characters, if you like!

Are you ready? Then pick up your colouring pens, pencils and paints and off you go!



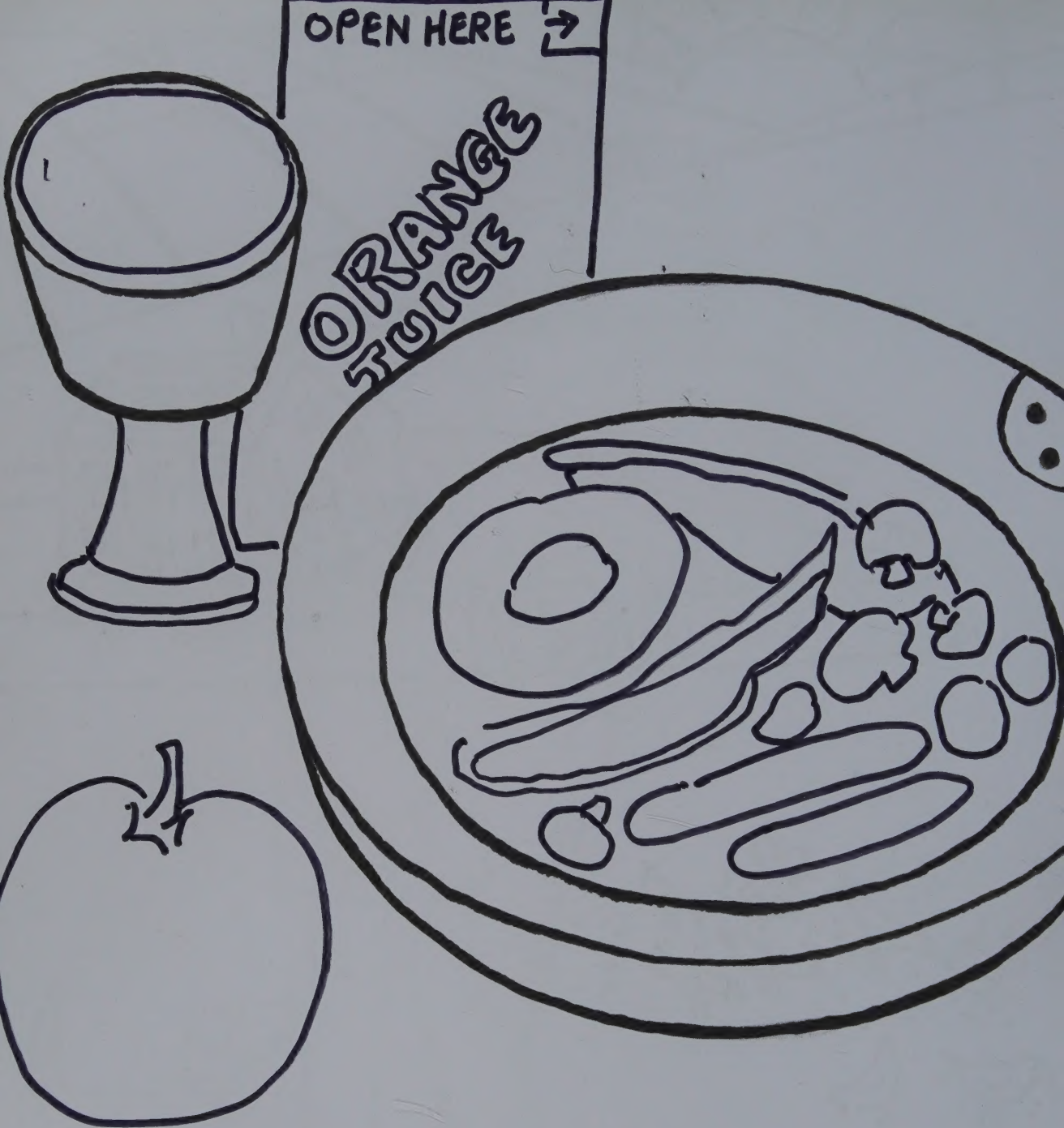


The sun is rising on a spring morning
when Farmer Flint visits his corn field.

You could draw: Farmer Flint in the corn field • birds • sun

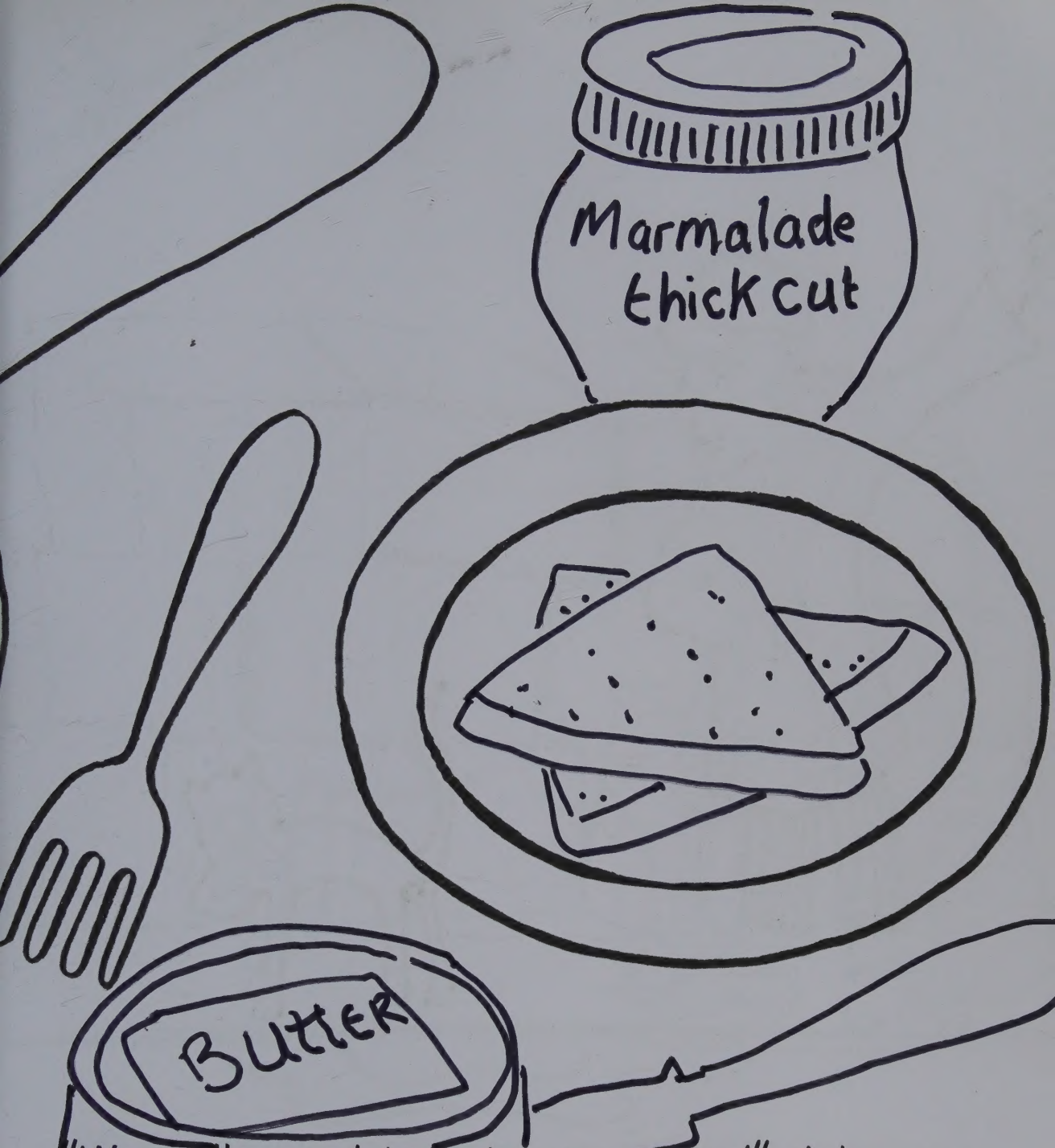


Oh no! A flock of birds is eating all the seeds.
"Shoo!" he cries, and they fly away.



In the farmhouse kitchen, Mrs Flint cooks breakfast. Farmer Flint tells her about the birds.

You could draw: bacon, eggs, sausages and mushrooms



"We really need to get a scarecrow!" sighs Mrs Flint. "Good idea!" says Mr Flint.

toast and marmalade • bowl of cereal • orange juice • fruit



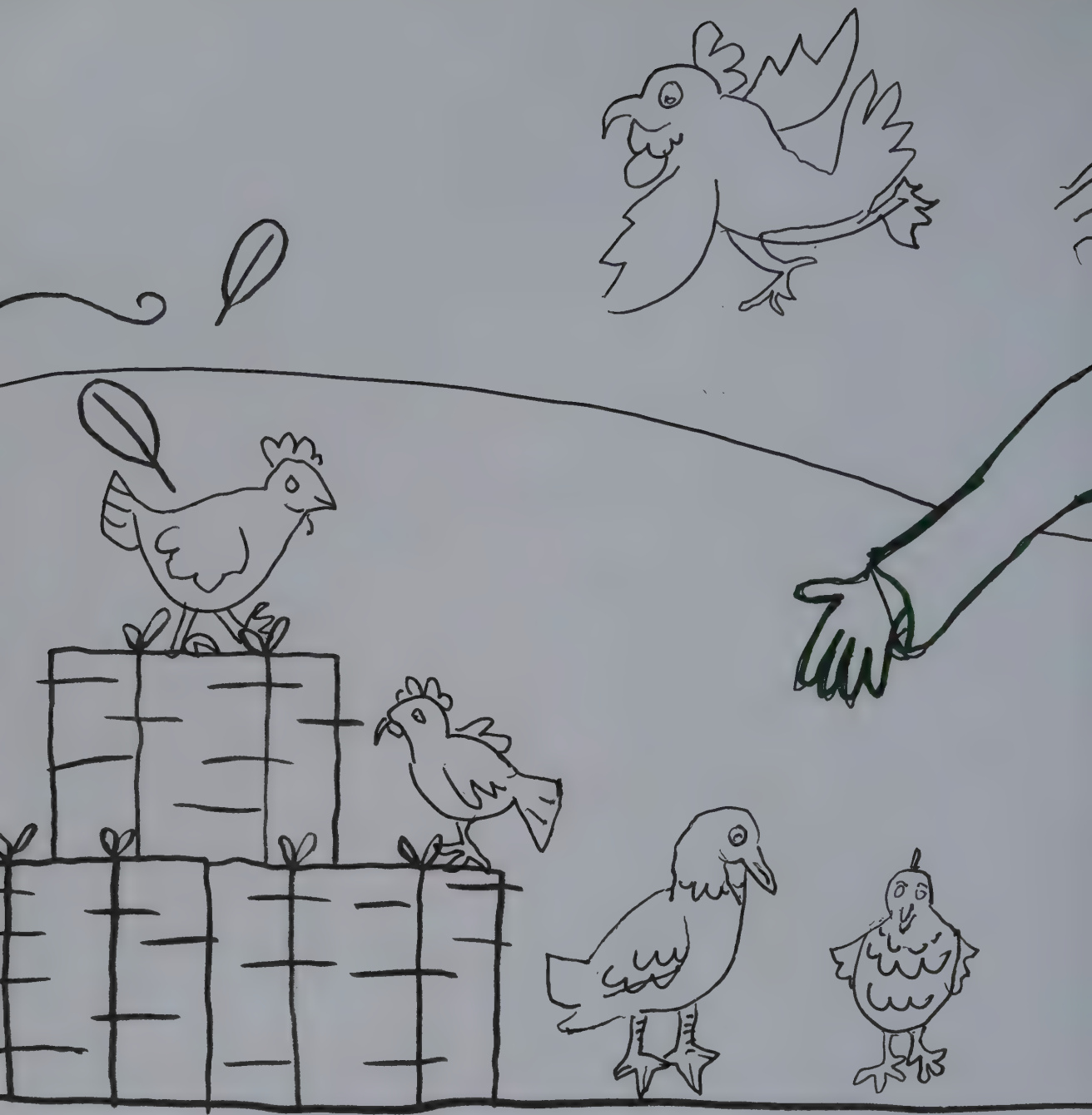
After breakfast, Farmer Flint goes to milk the cows. He steps in a big puddle in the cowshed.

You could draw: cows in the cowshed • cat • mouse • milk churns



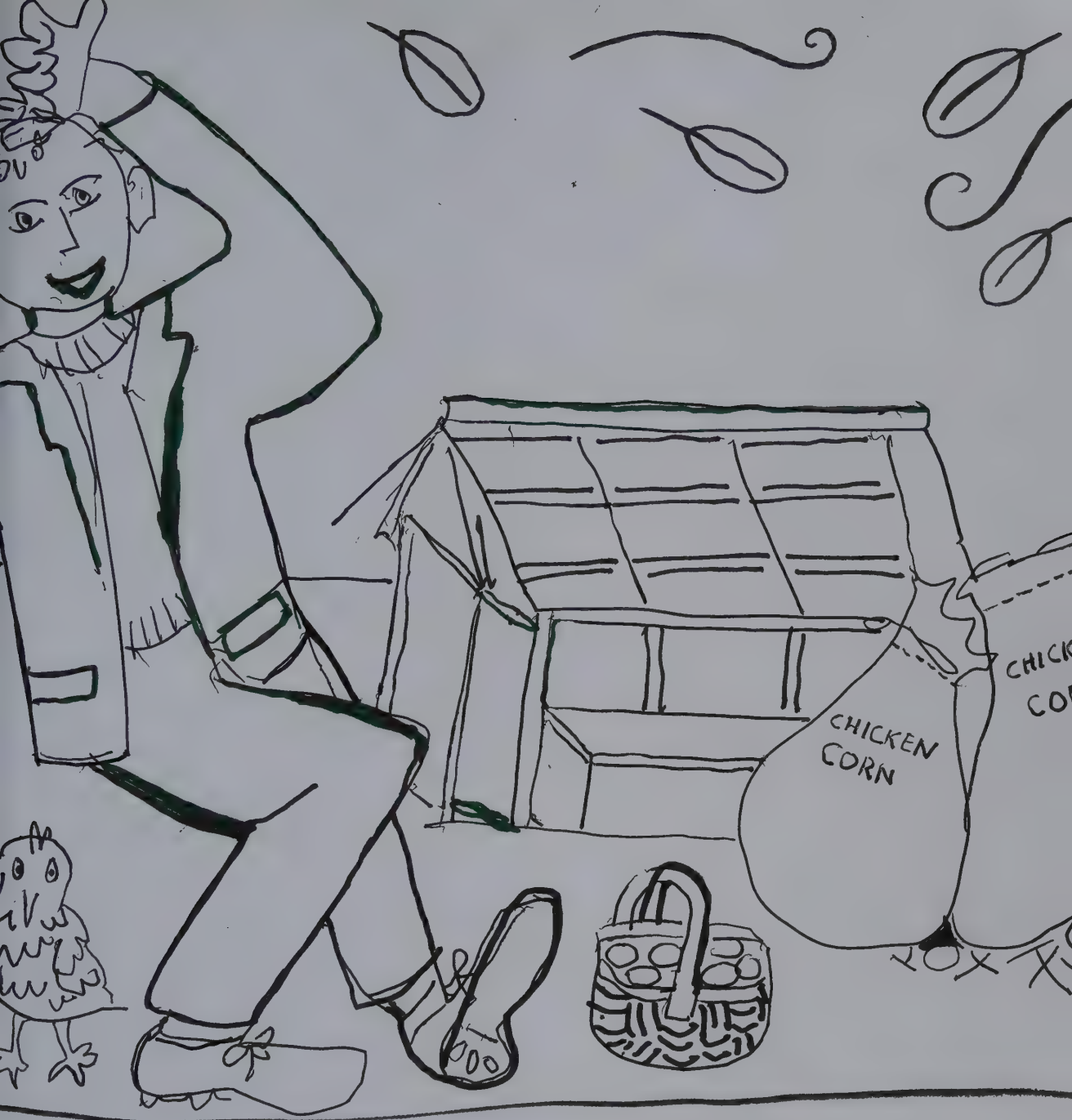
"Oh dear," he says. "I couldn't find my wellies this morning and now my feet are wet."

Farmer Flint in sandals • spider and web • straw • trough



Next, Farmer Flint goes to feed the chickens.
A cheeky cockerel does a dropping on his head!

You could draw: chickens • ducks • henhouse • sacks of corn



"Hmm," says Farmer Flint. "I wish I'd found my hat this morning."

cockerel • fields • basket of eggs • bucket • Farmer Flint • feathers



Later, Farmer Flint walks round to the pigsty to feed the pigs. "Morning grunTERS!" he says.

You could draw: Farmer Flint • pigs and piglets • lots of mud • pigsty



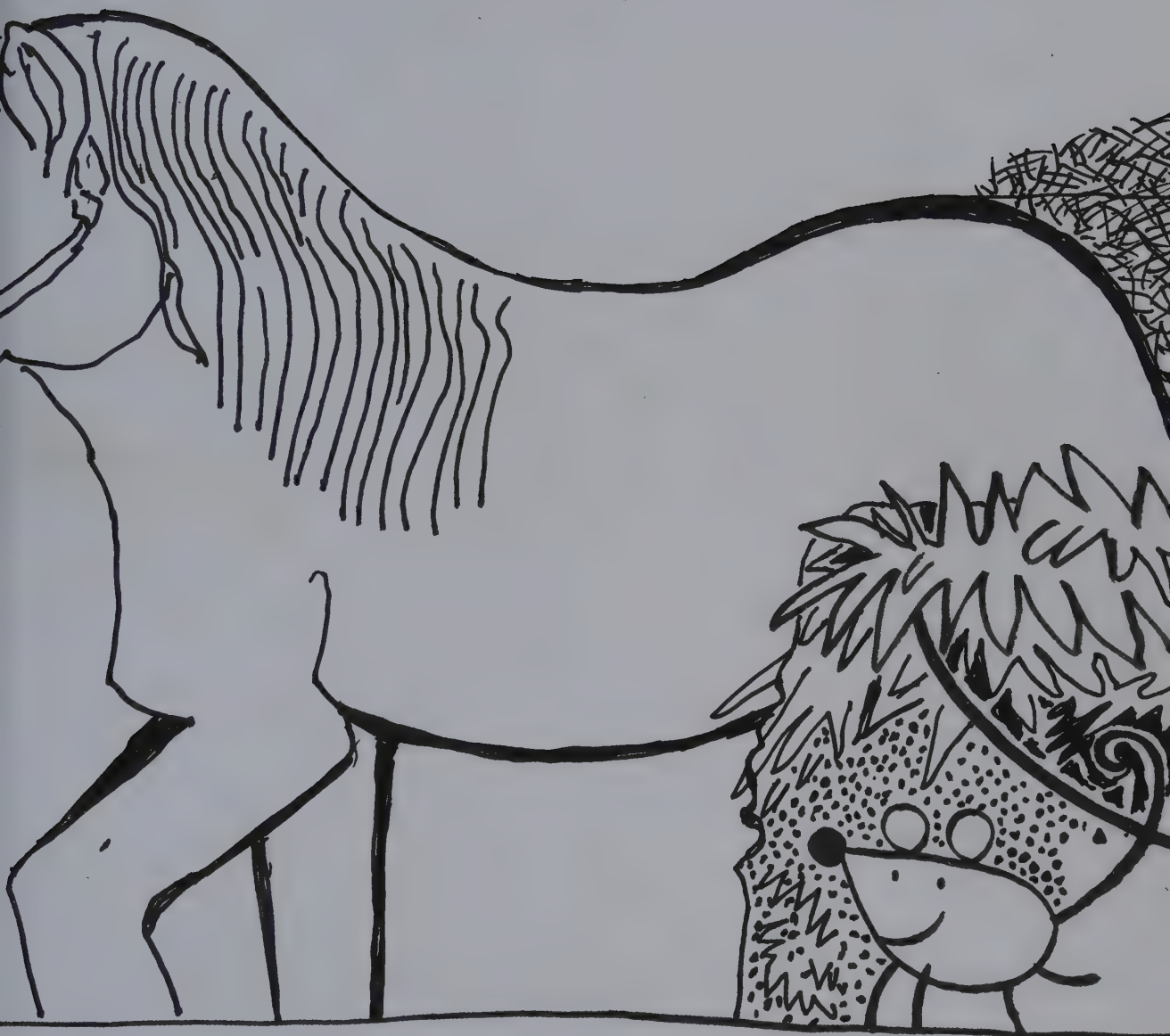
"Ooh, it's windy today. I wonder where
my cosy scarf could be?"

buckets of carrots and apples • tree with blossom • birds



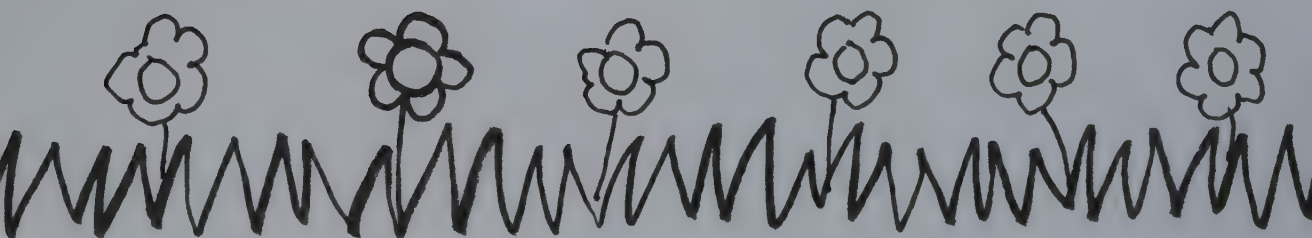
Next, Farmer Flint goes to muck out the horses. "I'm going to get very dirty," he

You could draw: horses • stable • broom • bucket and brush



thinks. "I need my thick gloves to keep my hands clean. Where can they be?"

wheelbarrow • straw • saddle and bridle • hay bale • bird's nest



In the afternoon it's time for Farmer Flint to feed his sheep. He climbs up into his shiny red

You could draw: Farmer Flint • red tractor • Shep, the dog • fields



tractor, with his dog Shep, and drives down
the muddy lane to the sheep fields.

farmhouse • barn • lane • hedges • flowers • pheasant



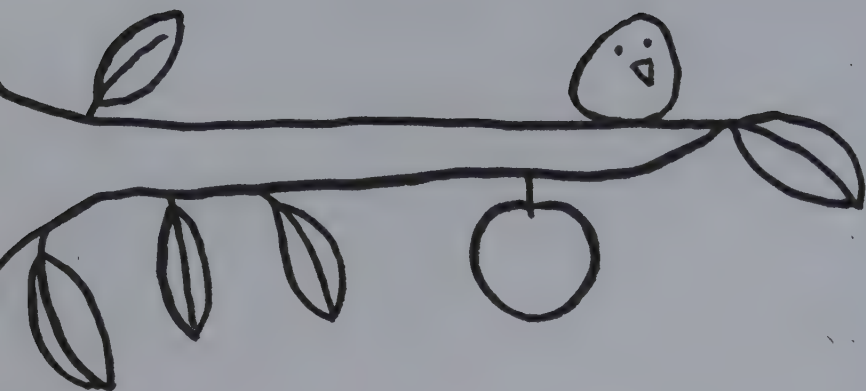
"Hello, Baa-baas!" calls Farmer Flint to the sheep and their fluffy little lambs.

You could draw: sheep • lambs • fields • daisies • trees • gate



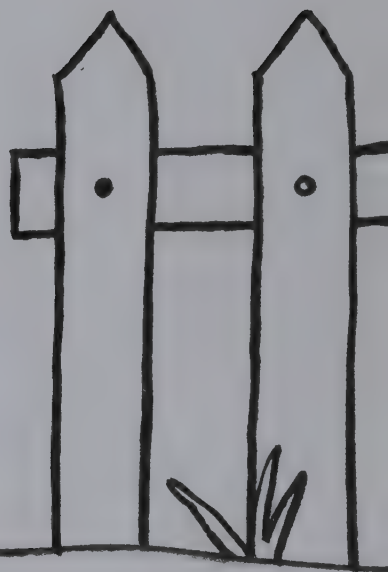
"Brr," he shivers, "It's chilly. I wish I was wearing my warm winter coat."

clouds • birds • rabbits • fence • fox • deer • sun • walls



Farmer Flint goes to visit Clara, the donkey,
to give her a nice juicy carrot. But when

You could draw: Clara, the donkey wearing a hat • field • stream



he reaches into his pocket, the carrot is missing!
"What a strange day it's been," he mutters.



The sun is setting. On his way home Farmer Flint sees Mrs Flint over in the corn field. "Surprise!"

You could draw: the scarecrow dressed in Farmer Flint's clothes



she calls. There beside her, is a scarecrow
wearing all of Farmer Flint's missing clothes!

corn field • birds • Farmer Flint and Mrs Flint • Shep • tractor

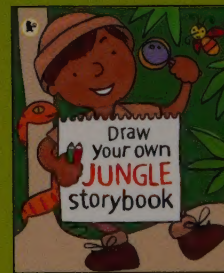
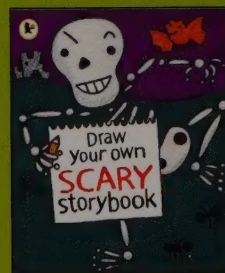
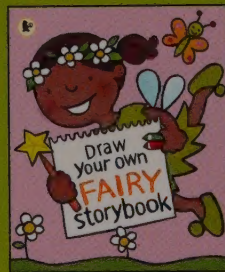
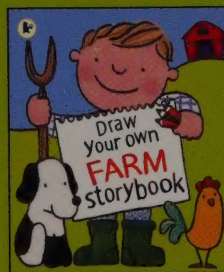
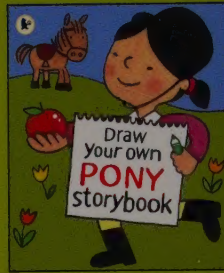
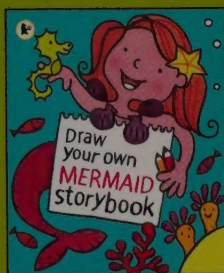
The End





Farmer Flint is feeding his animals but things are not what they seem.
Follow the story to find out what surprise is in store and illustrate
the pictures. With simple backgrounds and ideas to get you
started, you can create your very own book!

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